

Dear Brother Hoehn: Fall City, Wash.  
I recieved the lit. 12-27-67  
you sent me, many thanks for same.

I knew there were some changes in the GC but I never knew there were so many.  
I am wondering if there could be some on the statements Mrs. White made concerning X-Mass as I believe she contradicts the Bible on that subject.

Do you have anything on that? If so send it and I will pay whatever you ask on that.  
Your Brother in Christ,  
(SIGNED.)

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As you well know -  
Isa.44:17,45:20,57:7. Jer.10:1-5,44:3,8, 18-25. Eze.6:1-14. 8:13-18. these **CONDEMN** the keeping of **EASTER** and **CHRISTMAS**. Sr. White said to read these Books as applying to our time. (One such reference: T5:753.) It should be noted that **JEREMIAH** did not turn the Women from making their "**HOT-CROSS BUNS**" - cakes to the Queen of Heaven, weeping for Tammuz, or all that goes with "**LADY's DAY**" when they parade themselves and their Styles. They wouldn't listen.

\*\*\*\*\* **ANOTHER STEP**

"Some of the Teachers have been scattering from Christ instead of gathering with Him. By their own example they **LEAD** those under their charge to adopt the **CUSTOMS** and **HABITS** of the Worldlings. They **LINK** the hands of the students with **FASHIONABLE**, amusement-loving unbelievers, and carry them an advance **STEP** toward the World and **AWAY** from Christ. And they do this in the face of Warnings from Heaven...The anger of the Lord is kindled for these things... **BLINDED** in this manner, they do not realize that **THEY** are elements of **DARKNESS** rather than the Light. "Come **OUT** from among them, and be ye **SEPARATE**, saith the Lord, and and touch not the **UNCLEAN** thing; and I will recieve you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my Sons & Daughters, saith the Lord Almighty." these are the **CONDITIONS** upon which we may be acknowledged as the Sons of God - **SEPARATION** from the World, and **RENUNCIATION** of those things which delude, and fascinate, and ensnare...professed watchman have invited the enemy **INTO** their Stronghold, have **MINGLED** with them, and in their efforts To **PLEASE** have broken down the **DISTINCTION** between the children of God and the children of Satan." T5:12-15

**IN THE TRACK OF ROMANISM TM 362**

"Ancient writings were forged by **MONKS**. Decrees of Councils before unheard of, were discovered...And a Church that had rejected the Truth - **GREEDILY ACCEPTED** these Deceptions." GC 56

**HOW IT WAS DONE**

Sr. White began her Talks or Articles something like this:

**PART ONE:** "Christmas is a time when loved ones remember their friends & relatives, it is a time for the giving of Gifts, for rejoicing... this is the custom.".....

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

If we read Romans & Galations in the Light of Protestantism we are unable to understand what they are saying. But if we realize that this was a **NEW** Religion in which they were **TRYING** to talk **JEWS** into believing in **CHRIST** and as such must talk **AGAINST** the vain keeping of the **CEREMONIAL LAW** - then we begin to grasp what they were talking about. That it was **USELESS** to keep the Old Ceremonial Law. Less than **USELESS** - it was **UNBELIEF**.

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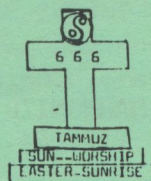
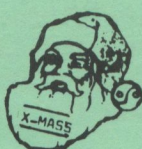
In the same sense, and in no other Sense we must place ourselves in the position of Sr. White as she was led by the Lord to approach the subject dear to their Hearts-like trying to help a young Boy by taking **CANDY** away from him - so that he might eat something more substantial and lasting, to keep him from getting Polio or rotting his Teeth out - not just **TAKE** it away by brute force which will not work at all - but try to **EDUCATE** his **MIND** and **CONSCIENCE**. By appealing to his **REASON**.

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Now what would you think of a dastardly Priest-Hood, the Holy Monks and Nuns of the Laodicean Order - who took **PARTS** out of what Sr. White said - shuffled the lot together in a book called: "**THE ADVENTIST HOME**" and palmed this off as what Sr. White said. "She would turn over in her grave."

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It must be remembered that this is a **NEW** development because the **EARLY WRITERS** and **ELDERS** recommended "**THE TWO BABYLONS**" which would soon set anyone straight on that subject - if they can be held still long enough to read it. This was recommended in the early R&H s and Publications. Before the imposition of the A.L.White s, the Nichol s, the Bessie s and the Kleuser s & that Gang. The "New-Modelers-of-the-Cause."





2-(#204) THE SUBJECT OF CHRISTMAS

**PART TWO:** "But the informed Christian knows that Christmas began historically as an attempt on the part of the early converts to "baptize" the Pagan Feast of **SATURNALIA**, which marked the winter Solstice...**GIVE CHRISTMAS BACK TO THE PAGANS!...**"

**PART THREE:** "Yet you will have difficulty explaining these things to young children, for it would be a great disappointment to them to have this cut off without understanding. Therefore take them away this day... away from the influence of the Merry-makers, let this be the day to visit Grandma out on the Farm..."

**PART FOUR:** "A Tree? You must have a Tree? You cannot do without a Tree? Well, let it be a Money-Tree to the Lord and **NOT** to each other! Let us see how long you will set up a Tree like that."

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**THE ADVENTIST BUTCHER SHOP**

Now how would it be if this **BODY OF TRUTH** were dragged into the **ADVENTIST BUTCHER SHOP** where the **BESSIES** and the **LOUISES** and the **ARTHURS** would sharpen their **SCIMITARS**, one Eye open for those who like **WHITE-MEAT**, roll the **HEART** in Feathers and toss it into the **REFUSE-BIN** as **UNWANTED** and **UNNECESSARY** **APPENDIX** to the Truth. Serving the **LEFT-OVERS** piping Hot from the "PEN OF ELLEN G. WHITE!" What a Feast! (Translate this from **GERMAN!**)

"And now, O ye priests, this commandment is for you...I will **CURSE** your Blessings: yea, I have **CURSED** them already...Behold, I will...spread **DUNG** upon your faces, even the **DUNG** of your solemn Feasts." Malachi 2:1-3.

**SOLEMN ADVENTIST FEASTS**

"What we have been **YEARS** learning, they will have to learn in a few months. They will also have much to **UNLEARN**, and much to learn again. Those who would **NOT** receive the **MARK OF THE BEAST** and his **IMAGE** when the Decree goes forth, must have decision **NOW** to say, Nay, **WE WILL NOT** regard the institution of the **BEAST**." EW 67.

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Some one should work on it.

Some one should set it up.

Some one should get this ready before next X-mass, before next Easter. To prove what Sr. White **DID** say about the Pagan Festivities. RH A1:152-3 (**LEFT OUT** of "Sons & Daughters of God"- **WHY?**) "Professed Christians engage in **FEASTINGS**...It is **IMPOSSIBLE** for those who find pleasure in church socials, **FESTIVALS** and numerous gatherings for pleasure, to have ardent love & sacred reverence for Jesus...Christians & the world **UNITE**, one

**ONE**

in heart, one in spirit, in these **FESTIVAL** occasions...Ministers, who profess to be Christ's representatives, frequently take the **LEAD** in these frivolous amusements...gaiety & **FEASTING**...but imitate ancient Israel who ate and drank and rose up to play...would turn them in **DISGUST** from these scenes of **REVELRY**...The numerous Socials, **FESTIVALS**, & Picnics to tempt the appetite to overindulgence..."to him that **OVERCOMETH** will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his Throne."

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They **MINGLED** with the Nations who had no knowledge or fear of God, and gradually **IMITATED** their **CUSTOMS** and manners, until God's anger was kindled against them... The entire history of the children of Israel was "written for our admonition upon whom the end of the world are come." RH A1:163-4.

**##### LEFT OUT - WEEDED OUT** of the "ADVENTIST HOME" also "SONS & DAUGHTERS OF GOD:" "THE HOLIDAYS...We are rapidly approaching the **SEASON** of the **HOLIDAYS**, and many conscientious ones are now questioning what course they may pursue that will be pleasing in the sight of God... It is a fact that much envy & jealousy are often created by this **CUSTOM** of making presents...**WE ADVISE ALL OUR BRETHREN AND SISTERS** to make a decided **REFORM** in regard to these **FESTAL DAYS**...**CHRISTMAS DAY**, precious reminder of the sacrifice made in men's behalf, should not be devoted to **GLUTTONY** & self-indulgence, thus exalting the **CREATURE** above the Creator... A word to the wise is sufficient." RH A1: 210-1 Dec. 11, 1879 (See p.199, 246).

..... **LEFT OUT** of "OUR HIGH CALLING."  
"...those who seek only to gratify the desires of the **UNCONSECRATED** heart, will **FLOAT WITH THE CURRENT** of worldliness and **FASHION**..Their conformity to worldly **CUSTOMS** holds them in captivity to **SATAN**, the god of this world. "His servants ye are to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey." RH A1:300 Dec. 6, 1881.

**"I WISH YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR"**

"In a world like ours, this **NEW YEAR'S GREETING** seems far more appropriate than the "**MERRY CHRISTMAS**" so lately echoed from lip to lip...A "**MERRY CHRISTMAS**" seems a **MOCKERY** to (a)...bereaved family. ..."**HAPPY NEW YEAR**," when uttered as an expression of love & respect, falls pleasantly upon the ear." A1:305 Jan.3/82  
"The followers of Christ & the servants of Satan **CANNOT HARMONIZE**." A1:329,300,305.



### 3-(#204.) KEEP CHRISTMAS?

"Divine truth has **NEVER** been in Harmony with the Traditions & **CUSTOMS** of the World; it has never conformed to their opinions."

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RH A1:337.

"Those who travel in the Narrow Way are talking of the Happiness they will have at the **END** of the Journey. Their countenances are often Sad, yet often beam with holy joy. They do not **DRESS** like the company in the Broad Way, nor **TALK** like them, nor **ACT** like them...When Christ shall come, will he accept a people who are **CONFORMED** to the World? Will he acknowledge them as **HIS PEOPLE** whom he has purified to himself? **NO, NEVER...**

Such are seeking to climb up some other Way. They do not enter the Strait Gate, and walk in the Narrow Way. The **CONFORMITY** of **PROFESSED** Christians to the **WORLD** is a **DISGRACE** to their profession, a **DISGRACE** to the cause of God. They **PROFESS** to have come **OUT** from the World and to be **SEPARATE**, yet are so near like them in **DRESS**, in Conversation, and Actions, that there is **NO DISTINCTION...** Many who imitate the **CUSTOMS & FASHIONS** of the World claim that they do this in order to have an **INFLUENCE** with Worldlings. But here they make a Sad & **FATAL** mistake...

That which you **SOW** you will **REAP**. The Harvest will be plenteous and Sure." RH A1:344.

### ##### HOLIDAY GIFTS

(What is in the **ADVENTIST HOME** we will not print, except in an odd case - this will be mostly if not entirely what they **LEFT OUT**.)

"....As a people we have backslidden from God; let us return unto him...Let us, upon the coming **CHRISTMAS** and **NEW YEAR'S FESTIVALS**, not only make an Offering to God of our means, but give ourselves unreservedly to him, a living sacrifice...You have taxed your inventive powers to prepare something that will surprise and gratify your friends. Let us in these last days of 1882, be as anxious, as earnest, as perserving, to render to God that which is due him...Let not **TIME & MEANS** be spent in preparing **GIFTS** which will benefit neither giver nor receiver...As-Christians-we-cannot-honor-a-**CUSTOM** which is not approved of Heaven...Who are willing this year to deviate from their usual **CUSTOM**?...will we not look from the human to the Divine?...Let those who **DESIRE** a Christmas **TREE**, make its boughs fruitful with **GIFTS** for the **NEEDY**, and **OFFERINGS** for the Treasury of God." RH A1:347

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Dec. 26, 1882.  
(You see how the "**EDITORS**" of the R&H co-operated by printing these articles often **TOO LATE** to do any good. The present **EDITORS** are no better. They left the above **OUT** of "**ADVENTIST HOME**" p.480,479. S&D 178.)

### SEPARATED FROM GOD

"We have **SEPARATED** from God by yielding to the maxims, **CUSTOMS**, & practices of the World." RH A1:354. May 8, 1883.

### ##### NO MULTITUDES!

"As Seventh-day Adventists we appeal from **CUSTOM** and Tradition to the plain "Thus saith the Lord," and for this reason we are **NOT**, and we **CANNOT BE**, in Harmony with the **MULTITUDES** who teach & follow the doctrines & commandments of men." **LEFT OUT** of Ev.434.RH A1:356. July 10/83.

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"It is not a profession of Faith, or a **NAME** registered in a church-Book, that constitutes us children of God...They are called Christians because...They cannot follow the **CUSTOMS** or practices of the World; for these are from beneath, and are of the wicked one." RH A1:389,367.

### ##### SKULDUGGERY

As an example of how the **CHOPPING-BLOCK** was used in the **WHITED SEPULCHRE** as they **DISJOINTED** the Testimonies:

**PRINTED IN:** "ADVENTIST HOME" p.472.

**PRINTED IN:** "EGW-MR" p.101.

**PRINTED IN:** "TEMPERANCE" p.211.

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"We have tried earnestly to make the Holidays as interesting as possible to the youth and children, while changing this order of things. Our object has been to keep them away from scenes of amusement among unbelievers." (**PRINTED**.)

### WHAT A JEWEL!

Now we can do everything we ever did - as long as it is **NOT** with "**UNBELIEVERS**" as long as it is among the **UNBELIEVING ADVENTISTS!** That was why they **LEFT OUT** the following, talk about lifting things "**OUT OF CONTEXT!**"

### CAREFULLY LEFT OUT!

"**INSTEAD** of following a **SELFISH CUSTOM**, and giving to those from whom **PRESENTS** will be expected in **RETURN**, let us make our offerings to the Lord." RH A1:395.

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Jan.29, 1884.

"The World's maxims, **CUSTOMS**, & practices are not to be our criterion." A1:402.

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(Found in "**THE IMAGE OF THE BEAST FLYER**" p.1. Write for it. This shows that SDA Leaders will **LEAD OUT** in keeping **SUNDAY** on **EASTER**. RH A1:405. March 18, 1884.)

### ##### MORE AND MORE

"While some are conforming more & more to the World's **CUSTOMS**, & maxims, we should be molding our lives after the Divine model." RH A1:437. (**LEFT OUT** of "**WELFARE MINISTRY**" & "**EVANGELISM**." )



4-(#204.)

## CUSTOMS!

"...those who are **DEAD** to the World...will feel an anxious desire to be like their Master, **SEPARATE** from the World. They will not imitate its **FASHIONS** or **CUSTOMS**." A1:459.

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(The R&H for Dec.9,1884 was really Chewed & Chopped up as the **PARTS** were Dissected for the **TRANSPLANT OPERATION** into the "**ADVENTIST HOME**" - why was this **LEFT OUT** from p.478?)

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"There is no divine sanctity resting upon the 25th. of December." RH A1:487.

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"Follow no longer the World's **CUSTOMS**. Make a break here..." A1:488. Dec.9,1884.

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"The **CUSTOMS** and the maxims of the World are not to be our criterion." RH A1:489.

## ##### A GRIEVOUS YOKE

"By adopting the World's standard, and seeking to conform to its **CUSTOMS** & accumulate its wealth, we place a grievous **YOKE** upon our necks and grasp a heavy burden in our arms, and thus uncumbered it is **IMPOSSIBLE** for us to make any progress in the highway cast up for the ransomed of the Lord to walk in." RH A1:510. Feb.24,1885.

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## HOW HARD

"How hard to come out and be separate from Worldly habits & **CUSTOMS**." RH A1:541.

## ##### REFUSING

"The true Christian...connects himself with God...refusing to follow inclinations or to be led into deceiving **CUSTOMS** & practices of the World." RH A1:569. Dec.1,1885

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## ELIJAH

"Elijah was a worshipper of the living God, and his soul was stirred within him as he saw Apostasy prevail, and the people of God follow the **CUSTOMS** of the nations around them." RH A2:489,147,171,173,445,452.

## ##### FRIENDSHIP WITH THE WORLD

"Almost imperceptibly the World's standard, the World's maxims & **CUSTOMS**, are introduced into the church; and as these find room, the objectionable maxims & **CUSTOMS** more boldly appear, and **LEAVEN** the influence of the church; and **SATAN'S** devices are successful... In this way there is brought into the church a **MIXED COMPANY**, a divided service...bowing at worldly Shrines. The World is brought into the church...church-members become wedded to the World; and this **UNHOLY UNION** is the explanation...that spiritual discernment is gone...by **UNION** with the world, the character of God's people becomes tarnished, and through **AMALGAMATION** with the **CORRUPT**, the fine Gold becomes Dim...It is evident that **SATAN** is carrying out his devices, working through those who **PROFESS**..." RH A2:589.1892.

## A HOLY NATION

"...the standard is to be elevated higher and higher, to meet the requirements of the Bible. This will necessitate **OPPOSITION** to the Fashions, **CUSTOMS**, practices, and maxims of the World." RH A3:112.

## LEFT OUT of "ADVENTIST HOME" 476.

"**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S**...Let parents and children now make earnest effort to redeem the Time, and to remedy their past neglect. Let-them-follow-a-different-course-from that-which-the-World-follows...establish a new order of things." RH A3:201-2.1894.

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## OR ELSE!

(OR ELSE)"He will take his Holy Spirit **FROM** the Church, and give it to **OTHERS** who will appreciate it." (no greater evidence that their light has turned to **DARKNESS** than that they spend their time in "celebrating **FORMS & CEREMONIES**." Then "The Light grows **DIM**, goes **OUT**; the Candlestick has been removed." RH A3:273.

## ##### ANTAGONISTIC!

You cannot really give up **SMOKING**, or **DRINKING**, or **PORK**, or **SUNDAY**, or any other Error or Sin - **WITHOUT** fighting **AGAINST** it and learning to **HATE** it - more people will be Lost being **NEUTRAL** than for any other one reason. "A Divine life will represent Jesus Christ, and will be **ANTAGONISTIC** to the **CUSTOMS**, practices & standards of the World." RH A3:379. 1896.

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## EASTER

Just "cease from labor on **SUNDAY**" and "you consent to receive the **MARK OF THE BEAST**." RH A3:481,420,549,589.

## LENT

Their "**FASTS**" are a "**PRETENSE**, a **MOCKERY** of Humility." RH A4:313,249,251,320.

## THE TWO BABYLONS

What Adventists **ONCE** believed about **XMASS** & **EASTER** etc. See RH A5:568,566,303,423.

## FINALLY

**SANTA** spells **SATAN** - in disguise! He is all seeing and, all knowing. He sees what children do. He keeps a "Book of Remembrance" - Santa comes down from the Sky. His bag overflows with **GIFTS**. His coming is Secret. Only those who Watch & Wait will see him. He is **ANOTHER GOD** for your Child. Isn't this the thing that God **THUNDERED** against in His Commandments? And whose **BIRTHDAY** is it? **JUNIORS'S**? **SUZY'S**? And is Christ still to be worshipped as a **CHILD** - or is He a "**HIGH-PRIEST**" in the Heavenly? "The East is not farther from the West than are the children of **LIGHT**, in **CUSTOMS**, practices, and **SPIRIT** from the children of **DARKNESS**... more marked, more decided. as we near the Close of Time." RH A6:457,53,468.